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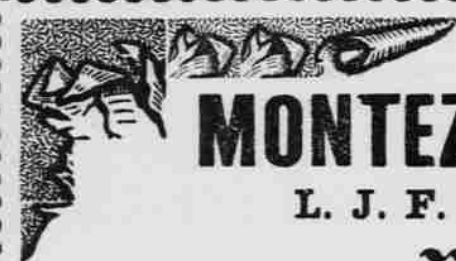
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ARIZONA NOTES.

Items of Interest Culled From Our Exchanges.

The Tom Reed mine has been one of the most persistent producers of gold in the state, having sent to the mint every year during the past four years more than \$1,000,000, from which dividends aggregating better than 60 per cent yearly were paid to the shareholders.

At the late Arizona state fair Coconino county won a small prize that is worth making a big noise about—first on a sheaf of alfalfa. This was against the competition of Yavapai which won first on general county exhibit, and of Maricopa, which is supposed to have the others so far out classed she is not allowed to compete for the county cup. Coconino also got a big fist full of blue ribbons on other things, but up to this time has never been touted as an alfalfa section.

The Plomosa district, lying east of the Colorado river between the Plomosa mountains and the Castle Dome range in Yuma county, contains large beds of gold bearing gravel, which has been quite thoroughly tested. Very complete investigations have been made on these beds, and samples gave an average run of 64 cents per cubic yard. Nuggets have been found running to \$25. This district covers an area of approximately 7,500 acres, and in 1912 produced almost \$10,000 by panning after rainfall.

It is reported that Colorado mining men are making an investigation of the Old Peck mine in the Bradshaws, with the object of finding out the tungsten values which have been reported to be good. What the outcome will be is of course problematical, but at any rate it is quite probable that if upper workings justify it, the lower levels will be pumped and examinations will be made. Several old timers of the district maintain that this famous old bonanza, like the Tip Top, has good values in tungsten.

It is now generally conceded that mining is firmly established upon a legitimate basis, and that the industry is as safe as any other investment and much safer than many. This recognition is certainly gratifying and it is pleasing to note that when success crowns any mining venture that the profits are often a thousand times greater than that accompanying a realization from any other legitimate occupation or pursuit; excepting, possibly, in times of war, when certain lines enjoy a rather spasmodic season of prosperity.

In 1914, owing to the depression preceding the great war, the production of copper in Arizona fell from more than 200,000,000 pounds to 158,000,000, and many of the mines curtailed production and the little fellows went out of commission. Late in 1914 the mines began to revive and by May of this year the larger properties were up to normal and since that time have made a record production. The estimate for the United States for 1915 is 1,600,000,000 pounds of copper, a record production, with Arizona at the head of the list with over 300,000,000.

Kingman postoffice has been one of the busiest places in the county the past few weeks. Great truckloads of mail are now being taken from and sent to trains at all times of the day. The office, which a few months ago was considered adequate for all needs of the town, is now too small to accommodate the changed conditions. The postmaster has been getting the mail moving all the time, although 10,000 to 30,000 pieces of mail are dumped into the office at a time. These have to be either cancelled or counted, which requires a large amount of work. Nearly a carload of mail has been dumped into the waiting room of the postoffice, while the assorting room contains as much more. And this a daily occurrence.—Mohave County Miner.

BUILDING MATERIAL ADVANCING

As a constant increase in construction operations in the Pacific Coast region, there has been a gradual advance in the price of building material.

Reports from Seattle state that lumber and shingles have moved upwards in price during the past few days. Fir lumber is now selling at from \$1 to \$3 per thousand higher than sixty days ago.

Conditions in the market are reported to be better than for two years. Drop siding, quoted a short time ago at \$13 to \$13.50 per thousand feet, is in demand at \$16 and up. An advance of \$1 per thousand has been made on all lines shipped from Washington and Oregon coast-wise to California points.

Logs are reported very scarce at Puget Sound mills. There is a limited supply of number 1 logs and Puget Sound mills have about quit selling to brokers and middlemen.—Los Angeles Examiner.

Option Taken on Blue Lead Mine.

Chas. N. Hoffman, a mining engineer representing the Lone Star Mining and Development company, a Texas corporation, this week closed an option for the Blue Lead mine in Wrightson district, the property of the Washington Trading company of Patagonia. The Blue Lead is located about six miles northwest of town, and has produced considerable lead-silver ore. For the past several months the property has been idle.

Mr. Hoffman is to start work at once and development is to be continued from the three tunnels which have been run on the claims. At first the force will not be large, but according to the terms of the option, a good sized crew will have to be added as the work progresses.

With the present prices of metals the Blue Lead should prove a winner to its new owners, as there is no question of the ore bodies. Formerly the property was a regular producer when silver and lead were not quoted at anything like present figures. When lead went down to a little over 3 cents and silver was in the 40's the mine was unable to pay much above the cost of operation, but with lead selling at \$5.40 and silver at 55 cents an ounce and Blue Lead will be a valuable addition to Patagonia's list of shippers.

Examination for Red Rock Postoffice.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on Saturday, January 22, 1915 an examination will be held at Tucson, Arizona, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill contemplated vacancies in the position of fourth class postmaster at Red Rock, Arizona and other vacancies as they may occur at the office, unless it shall be decided in the interest of the service to fill the vacancy by reinstatement. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$311 for the last year.

Age limit 21 years and over on the date of the examination, with the exception that in a state where women are declared by statute to be of full age for all purposes at 18 years, women 18 years of age on the date of the examination will be admitted. Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which the examination is made.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application forms and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at Red Rock, Arizona or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications should be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington at least 7 days before the date of the examination, otherwise it may be impracticable to examine the applicants.

PATAGONIA.

Interesting News Items Clipped From the Patagonian.

Monday of this week the cancellations at the local postoffice were larger than for any one day in the history of the camp.

Mark Lulley has a crew working on the Jew, doing the year's work. The crew is taking out good ore and will have a shipment soon.

Annual work has been done by Louis Zeckendorf on the Georgia claims, one of the oldest claims in the Alto district. The work was in good ore.

Mrs. James Parker Sr., of Parker Canyon, left here Tuesday morning for Tombstone, where she will visit during the holidays with relatives and friends.

Chas. Witting has secured the contract for driving the 100-foot drift from the 450 level at the Lee shaft of the Ruby Copper Co., and work is to be started immediately.

Col. R. R. Richardson is working a crew on the Connecticut mine. This reliable oldtimer, under Hogan and McCutchan, came into the shipping ranks a couple of years ago.

Wm. Murphy was down from Harshaw Tuesday for supplies. He reports considerable activity in the Harshaw district at this time from assessment work and regular mining operations.

A Sunday school has been organized in Patagonia with Miss Jeannette Shaw superintendent. Meeting is held at 3 o'clock each Sunday afternoon in the school house. All are invited to attend.

A. H. Glidewell brought in some nice specimens of galena ore this week from the Buffalo group, in the Harshaw district. The ore from the Buffalo carries a good per cent of silver values.

Dr. T. B. Pitts has moved his family over from Tombstone to make this his permanent home, having assumed the practice of Dr. Harris in Patagonia. His office is located in the Harris home.

Representatives of one of the large eastern development companies have been looking over the Huntington and O'Neil mine north of Alto, with the idea of doing some development on a large scale.

The face of the work on the Silver Crown is all in fair ore, carrying gold, silver and copper, and it is thought some ore can be shipped from here at present prices. The ore gets better as depth is secured.

Jake Johnson came in this week from the Dixie, bringing in some more pretty lead ore, which he encountered in an upraise. Jake says he intends to put the Dixie in the shipping class within a short time.

Mike Hannon, the well known mining man and ex-politician, was in the district this week, arranging to have work done on claims which he owns here. Mr. Hannon says the district looks better to him with each succeeding visit.

Josiah Bond has been doing the annual work on the Pittsburgh group since September and lately some good looking ore has been struck as the drift draws near the main shaft. This is a lead ore of good silver contents, and can be sorted so as to ship.

Joe Collie has been in town this week from the old Harrison group, which he and his brother are working. He has been framing timbers for the mine all week with the assistance of George Coughlin. The astute J. P. says he can now qualify as an expert timber framer.

Harvey P. Greene, who has edited The Patagonian for the past year, left Friday of last week via Nogales for Phoenix, where he will pass the winter. Mr. Greene is a newspaper man of wide experience. He made many friends both for himself and the paper during his management of The Patagonian.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT.

Tucson has laid the cornerstone of a \$125,000 Scottish Rite Temple, Phoenix is to have a Shrine temple to cost goodness knows how much, Prescott is to have a court house to cost more than either of them, Yuma county is to have two or three hundred thousand dollars' worth of good roads for which some of the contracts have been let, and Gila county has voted \$350,000 for the same purpose. Snowflake is to have electric lights, the United States army is spending the winter at Nogales and Douglas, and for the first time in history the Arizona State Fair pulled off a show without a big deficit. Williams is planning bigger waterworks and a sanitary sewer, and a Flagstaff man will build a road next summer to the top of the San Francisco peaks, the highest toe-hold in the state. A Flagstaff bank is almost doubling its capital stock and both banks are preparing to open branches in Oatman, where one is now doing business and the fourth has been chartered. Mohave county has Oatman itself, which as a gold camp promises to rival Nevada's best. Before these words get into type it is probable Coconino county will move for a good roads bond issue of \$200,000. People say the Magma mine in Pinal county to which a railroad was recently built, will be the biggest single mine in the world and the steel rails are reaching out to Ajo camp in Pima county, which hopes to go it one better. Bisbee mines are humming full time, Tombstone is being rejuvenated and everything is going smoothly at the Mascot mine. Graham county's fertile fields are attracting attention and a big mining venture has just been launched with a Phoenix man at its head. Globe is working over the court house, Miami is booming and the oil men are just about to bring in the gushers at Roosevelt. Ray and Jerome are too busy to talk—making copper. Payment for Parker lots has been extended another year pending the opening of the adjacent Indian reservation, and payments on the Salt River reclamation project have been deferred a year. The Navajo redskins are making blankets and the palefaces in the south are making garden and building school houses. Hay in the Salt River valley is selling for \$12 a ton and deposits in the banks of Arizona are eight or ten millions in excess of this time one year ago. Thanksgiving is past but there is no legal restriction against acknowledging gratitude at Christmas.—Arizona.

This week there have been great doings at the porphyry copper mines of the Copperfield Porphyry, the tunnel having been driven about fifteen feet into the richest ore ever found in the vein. The whole breast of ore is said to run 25 per cent. Large chunks of pure copper show throughout the mass, while the run of glance ore is much greater than toward the portal.—Miner.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Santa Cruz Valley Bank and Trust Company will be held at its office on Tuesday, January 11th, 1916, at 4 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other legitimate business. THEODORA MARSH, 12-25-3w. Secretary.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The First National Bank, Nogales, Arizona, Dec. 3, 1915. To the Stockholders: Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank, for the election of directors, and for the transaction of other legitimate business, will be held at the banking-rooms of said bank, Nogales, Arizona, on January 11, 1916, at 4:00 p. m. BRACEY CURTIS, 12-4-5t. President.